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GINGERBREAD FESTIVAL

The "*Gingerbread Festival*" will be held on Saturday, December 5, at the Salem Farmers Market, Salem Library, and Longwood Park. Salem citizens, friends, and neighbors are invited to join in the fun from 11am to 4pm as we celebrate an old fashioned Salem Christmas.

Children can have their pictures taken with Santa, enjoy story time with Mrs. Claus and mail their wish lists to the North Pole that day. They also will be able to participate in a variety of children's activities while they are at the library.

Hot cider and roasted chestnuts will be available on the Farmers Market and there also will be carriage and Model T car rides throughout the downtown area. Our downtown merchants will be hosting open houses and demonstrations throughout the day, as well.

Along with the activities going on in downtown Salem, folks can ride the Model-T to Longwood Park where they will be able to tour the Gingerbread House Competition, enjoy music and holiday entertainment, visit seasonal arts & craft vendors, food vendors and roast marshmallows.

The event is presented by the City of Salem Parks and Recreation Department and Salem-Roanoke County Chamber of Commerce. For additional information call the Parks and Recreation Department at 375-3057.

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